

MEMORIAL

OF THE

LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS,

IN FAVOR OF

The immediate construction of a building for the accommodation of the United States courts, the pension, land, and post office at Springfield.

FEBRUARY 2, 1859.—Ordered to lie on the table and be printed.

Whereas the people of the State of Illinois are deeply impressed with the importance of safe and proper accommodations for the United States courts of the southern district, the pension and land offices, and post office, all now in the city of Springfield, where at present are filed a large amount of highly important and valuable papers affecting the title and interests of many to a large extent, both residents and non-residents, which papers were recently, with much risk and difficulty, rescued from conflagration; and whereas the Congress of the United States has made an appropriation for the erection of a building for these purposes, and the Treasury Department of the United States has purchased a site for the purposes of said building in the city of Springfield, the title to the same now being in the United States, and jurisdiction having been ceded by the State of Illinois; therefore,

Resolved by the senate and house of representatives of the State of Illinois, in general assembly, That our senators be instructed and our representatives in Congress be requested, to use all honorable means to secure the immediate construction of a building for the accommodation of the United States courts, pension and land offices, and post office in the city of Springfield, that may be completed within the sum already appropriated, or such additional as may be appropriated the present session of Congress.

Resolved, That the governor be requested to transmit a copy of these resolutions and preamble to each of our senators and representatives in Congress.

WM. R. MORRISON,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
JOHN WOOD,
Speaker of the Senate.

Approved January 26, 1859.

WM. A. BISSELL.